

LOCAL PRICES DECLINE; NO SUDDEN DROP

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8 Per Cent—Wool Hose
Hold Price Because of
Big Demand.

HARDWARE MAY RISE
Suits Are Little Cheaper, But
Cotton and Bolt Goods
Have Fallen Considerably.

Clothing prices in Columbia are lower than those of last fall, the decline being based mainly on the supply and demand of merchandise.

In the men's clothing, silk and cotton show a reduction, especially in silk hose and neckwear. The prices on the cheaper suits are lower, but, according to one Broadway merchant, the majority of the suits sold are of higher quality and in these there is no corresponding drop.

Shoes show a decrease of about 8 per cent from last fall's prices. Shoes that then sold for \$15.50 are now selling for \$14.50. On wool hose there is no change in price, due to the increased demand for them for fall and winter wear.

In women's wear the drop is most noticeable in dresses, some of which cost 35 per cent less than the dresses of a year ago. This is the statement made by the manager of one of the larger ready-to-wear stores. Suits show hardly any decrease, while cotton and silk bolt goods have fallen considerably.

At the hardware stores the price lists continue the same, and are perhaps due for a raise. Especially is this true of the price of stores, on which an approximate increase of 2 1/2 per cent is expected. This continuance of present prices in hardware is due mainly to the under-production of hardware merchandise, store owners say.

The prevailing idea of Columbia merchants is that prices on the whole are on the decline, but that there will be no sudden drop.

Hallville School Holds Carnival.
The pupils of the Hallville High School held a carnival on their campus Saturday night the proceeds of which are to be used for equipment of their school.

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Tickets on Sale at Drug Shop, Allen's Music Store, Missouri Store.

Society

Miss Ella Wyatt, society editor. If you have news of social events of interest to Columbia and the University, the Missouriian will appreciate it if you will call Miss Wyatt by telephone, No. 274, between 11 o'clock and noon, each day.

Mrs. J. R. Thomas, 602 Providence road, entertained this afternoon with six tables of bridge for her daughter, Mrs. C. L. McWhorter, of Oakland, Cal. The house was decorated with garden flowers. The guests were: Miss Elizabeth Ransom, Mrs. J. B. Heberling, Mrs. Henry Rinkhart, Mrs. George Ross, Mrs. A. F. Neust, Mrs. E. H. Guitler, Mrs. Emmett Smith, Mrs. Stanley Smith, Mrs. A. G. Spencer, Mrs. William G. Manly, Mrs. Orville Barnett, Mrs. S. A. Smoke, Mrs. Weldon Cotton, Mrs. J. C. Jones, Mrs. Margaret Gordon, Miss Marcia Bailey, Miss Virginia Lee Meng, Mrs. H. I. Bragg, Mrs. J. E. Thornton, Mrs. C. M. Pape, Mrs. L. Martin, Mrs. R. H. Gray, Mrs. Miller Maughs, Miss Anna Pape, Mrs. W. F. Sylvester, Miss Harriet Pommer and Mrs. McWhorter.

Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Hudson, Miss Anna Pape and Prof. Herbert Reese motored to McBaine yesterday and spent the day. They had a picnic supper, returning last night to Columbia.

The girls of the Arkansas Club of Christian College entertained Saturday evening with a dinner party in the dining room of the College. Covers were laid for fourteen. The room was decorated with Arkansas colors, red and white, and the place cards were red halloons with the names of the guests printed in white ink. A large basket of apples, Arkansas's Best, formed the centerpiece for the dining room table. The girls entered the room singing the state song. Arkansas yells were given and college songs were sung between the courses. The faculty guests were: President and Mrs. E. D. Lee, Dean Rose Lisenby, Miss Madeline Walker, Mrs. M. H. Huttig and Miss Lucy L. Laws. The members were: Misses Jewel Jones, Louise Arbogast, Emma Harris, Winnie May Sims, Mary Haynes, Bess Packard, Dorothy Stevens and Elizabeth Holland.

The students and faculty members of Christian College left at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon for the Vandiver farm where they gave a gypsy party. A large bonfire was built and marshmallows were roasted after the regular gypsy meal was prepared. Games, songs and yells occupied the afternoon. The party will return at 7 o'clock this evening.

Mrs. S. A. Smoke, 209 South Ninth street, will entertain with a series of bridge parties at 3 o'clock tomorrow and Wednesday afternoons for Mrs. Allan Poole and Mrs. James Boice of Kansas City, who are her guests this week. The guests Tuesday will be: Misses Ruth Hollins, Frances Mitchell, Frances Gray, Florence Poole, Juliet Bowling, Frances Bright, Helen Mitchell, Mrs. Lloyd Jones, Mrs. John Sykes, Mrs. Dan G. Stone, Mrs. L. O. Hockaday, Mrs. C. B. Miller, Mrs. Emmett Smith, Mrs. James Garth, Mrs. Samuel Smoke, Jr., Mrs. E. Sydney Stephens, Mrs. Poole and Mrs. Boice.

Dinner guests at the Knights of Columbus Hall yesterday were: Miss M. S. Roy, Prof. R. N. Dewey, Roscoe Moore, Thomas J. Broadnax and Chu Hsiao.

Dinner guests at the Phi Gamma Delta house yesterday were: Misses Margaret Fackler, Mary Welch, Katherine Davis, Ruth Cauthorn, Gladys Pershing, Betty Millett, Angeline Beasley, Sue Rosenberry, Helen Watson and Mary O'Keefe of Moberly.

Miss Beatrice Watts left today for a visit with her sister, Mrs. S. J. Brandenburg, of St. Louis. She will attend the Veiled Prophet's ball this week and return after the Missouri-St. Louis game next Saturday.

Dinner guests at the Beta Theta Pi house yesterday were: Misses Bernice Childs, Martha Sue Woods, Ernestine Parks, Ruth Hayman and Claylene Costello.

Miss Lucy Biggs and Miss Maude Gwyn were dinner guests yesterday of Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Severance, 106 Edgewood avenue.

Among the Sunday night dinner guests at the Daniel Boone Tavern were: Miss Jean Logan, George P. Fleming, Miss Ernestine Parks, Allen Lincoln, W. C. A. at the Y. M. C. A. Building Saturday night. During the evening between four and five hundred students attended the party. Streamers of Missouri colors, golden rod and Japanese lanterns formed the decorations. Punch and cookies were served. Some danced and others played pool or heard the program. Miss Ella Wyatt gave a comic reading and four members of the Glee Club sang. Miss Virginia Rogers sang "College Blues," an original song. About 9:30 o'clock a picture show, featuring

Mutt and Jeff, was given. Gerald Perry gave a chalk talk. All sang "Old Missouri" amid a rain of confetti and streamers.

GIRLS, WHERE ARE YOUR MENNONITE BONNETS AND YOUR SAMPLERS?

"The girl who smokes cigarettes represents the extremist in society. She is not the average girl of today. There were extremists among the girls of every generation of society," said S. R. Braden, Presbyterian minister, in discussing the girl of today and of twenty-five years ago.

"The dancers of this generation are perfectly hideous," said an elderly Columbia mother whose hair is sprinkled with white. A small frown marred the smile that is usually lurking about her lips as she said it. "The dancing when I was a girl was more graceful and not as easily learned. The music was musical then."

"The girls of today bob up and down when they dance. No dance is more beautiful than the waltz. It takes more dancing sense and schooling to waltz. It was popular in my young days and the music was on the order of 'The Blue Danube,'" said W. H. Pommer, professor of music in the University.

According to Doctor Carver the great difference between the girl of fifty years ago and the girl of today in Boone County is shown by the habits of dress. "In the old days they wore hoopskirts. Now their skirts are about a foot wide and it is more or less of a stunt for them to walk any distance."

"Housegown clothes were worn by girls in this county fifty years ago. Guests were not exposed to sun and lightning and the girls did not go bareheaded, as some of them do today. Boone County girls did not ape city people. Now you can hardly tell the difference between a Columbia girl and a girl from St. Louis, New York or Boston."

The greatest change in girls in the last fifty years has occurred in the country districts and in the small towns, according to Doctor Carver. He says the girls of fifty years ago were good housekeepers and cooks and, being strictly home-made persons, did not have so many theories.

"Every new generation is born into a new world," said the Rev. Mr. Braden. "Each group in society is more willing to keep the rules that it makes for itself than to keep the rules that are handed down to it by others. The girls of today are better educated but are poorer housewives."

"A great many girls of this generation do not know how to cook. It is common talk that some Columbia girls smoke. We never heard of a girl in the Middle West smoking cigarettes twenty-five years ago, but ten or fifteen years ago when I was in college when I knew that girls smoked in their dormitories. However, it was only the 'extremists' among the girls who did it."

"Old people always have thought in every age that young folks were giddy. I am not prepared to say that the girl of twenty-five years ago was a better house-maker than the girl of today is. There is a great deal that goes into making a home, and for the average girl there is a certain amount of drudgery around the house that they must know how to do in order to make the home a success."

"It is hard for an old person to judge the young people of today fairly on account of the fact that social customs of today are different than the social customs of twenty-five or more years ago. What was taboo then is the thing to do now. Custom has made it so."

Sturgeon Couple Get License.
A marriage license was issued Saturday to James Harold Sturgeon, 22 years old, and Miss Mary Sam Puller, 22 years old, both of Sturgeon.

Marriage License to Columbians.
A marriage license was issued today to Willard P. Russell and Miss Sue Slack, both of Columbia.

"You'll be sorry if you do not attend the Gottroff and Dalittle wedding at the Hall Theater Tuesday night, and see some of the 'Homey Men' transformed into beautiful women.—Adv.

The following were dinner guests at Read Hall Sunday: Dean and Mrs. Walter Miller, Mrs. A. C. Ragsdale, Mr. and Mrs. Perry of Independence, Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Donofrio of Phoenix, Ariz., Misses Selma Stein, Rae Klausner, Wilma and Sidney Hall and Ruth Levine.

Mrs. William Tingle and Miss Mary Mahoit were dinner guests at the Kappa Alpha house yesterday.

A friendly spirit marked the spirit of the all-University mixer given under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A. and the Y. W. C. A. at the Y. M. C. A. Building Saturday night. During the evening between four and five hundred students attended the party. Streamers of Missouri colors, golden rod and Japanese lanterns formed the decorations. Punch and cookies were served. Some danced and others played pool or heard the program. Miss Ella Wyatt gave a comic reading and four members of the Glee Club sang. Miss Virginia Rogers sang "College Blues," an original song. About 9:30 o'clock a picture show, featuring

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Old Wabash Porter Tells of His Gift Trip to California

"I don't chew, smoke, drink or shoot craps," said Steve Harris, porter at the Wabash station, who is contemplating another trip in about two weeks. This time he intends to go to Omaha, then as far east as Buffalo and Niagara Falls.

Steve has been porter at the Wabash station for thirty-three years. Before that he carried the University mail route. He secured his education from a law student who gave him lessons every afternoon after 4:30. When Steve was a boy he was often seen running around in his bare feet after his father, who was bell ringer at that time.

While the World's Fair was going on in San Francisco, Steve secured a pass for himself and wife. The merchants of Columbia donated \$25.00 each and made up a pot of \$300 for him, to help defray expenses. When the time came for them to board the train there were so many people there to see them off that the train was delayed fifteen minutes so that everyone might tell them goodbye.

"I will tell you, sir, I was never before so happy in my life," said Steve. After they left Columbia they thought the storm was over, but it was only the beginning. When they arrived in Moberly, J. C. Cook, trainmaster at that time, had a colored brass band to meet them. The Wabash officials wired all along the route for their agents to look out for him and not to let him want for a thing.

"By the time I got to San Francisco I had enough passes and receipts to choke a hay baler," said Steve. "I remember about the first thing I bought in Frisco. I walked up to a watermelon stand, and thumped on one that was half as long as this station. I asked how much it cost. 'A nickel,' said the clerk. 'I will tell you, sir, I nearly dropped dead. And to think that was in October.'"

"Did you buy it?" asked someone. "Of course I did! And me and my wife had some feed."

He even pulled off his shoes and waded in the Pacific Ocean, just so he could say he had been on the coast. "I left Frisco and went to New Orleans. I walked up to a place and said: 'Give me a nickel's worth of bananas.'"

"The clerk gave me twenty-nine of them—and when I got home my wife said, 'Steve, we won't have any money to get home on if you don't quit spending so much foolishly.'"

"I just bought a nickel's worth," I said, 'Well, Steve, go back and get another nickel's worth.' I tell you sir that was a wonderful trip, and I will never forget it."

"We have an annual pass over all the railroads in the United States, but there is no place like Columbia for me. I have been in Columbia for forty-five years and I expect to stay here the rest of my life."

There are not many homes of today that can boast of more than two or three pieces of genuine old-fashioned furniture, but there is one home in Columbia that is furnished throughout with pieces that range in age from 80 to 150 years. This is the home of Mrs. J. N. Belcher, 1315 Wilson avenue. Some of the articles have come into the possession of Mrs. Belcher through the family, while others have been collected here and there from time to time. In the front room are a divan and two chairs that were brought to this country from England before the Revolutionary War. Another particularly valuable piece is a chair made in 1849 by J. H. Belcher, a furniture maker of New York. There are now only about four pieces of this type in the United States. It is of rosewood, carefully put together in layers and deeply carved.

In the dining room are pieces of heavy solid mahogany. The chairs are upholstered in black leather and are of remarkable weight for their size. On the long buffet are two glass jugs which were used for wine in the old days. One four-poster bed is the pride of any household. This house contains four such beds. Perhaps the finest of the four is of imported walnut, the grain of the wood showing the so-called reba stripes. The posts of this bed still bear large rings which were used for the canopy. Originally there was a wooden strip across these posts for that purpose. A bird's-eye maple bedroom set is veneered over walnut. Acorns are carved on the bed posts. On the old-fashioned high-boy stands a shaving mirror with a case of drawers. The knobs of the drawers are of glass, very similar to those in use today. Beautiful cut-glass knobs set in brass also decorate the desk or secretary in the library.

Painted chairs of today might well copy the design, now worn and faded, on several of the bedroom chairs. With these chairs belongs a marble-topped dresser with small drawers built up on either side. Imagination could suggest the varied

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ITALY'S CROP IS SHORT
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The foreign crop prospects now tend to confirm earlier forecasts, according to a request of the United States Bureau of Crop Estimates, just received here by E. A. Logan, agricultural statistician for Missouri. It says:

"Crop news tends to confirm the earlier forecasts for generally favorable harvests in the Northern Hemisphere this season."

"At the present time preliminary estimates have been received from Canada, Argentina, Uruguay, Belgium, Bulgaria, Hungary, Italy, Rumania, Spain, Switzerland, British India, Tunis, Union of South Africa, Australia, and New Zealand. These countries, with the exception of Hungary, when combined with the United States, produce according to the

annual average production for the years 1909 to 1913, a little under 64 per cent of the so-called wheat crop of the world. This year their total production of wheat, excepting Hungary, when combined with that of the United States, is estimated at 2,339,076,000 bushels, compared with 2,328,980,000 bushels in 1919.

"The prospects in Europe indicate an increase in the production of wheat for 1920 of 46,705,000 bushels over that of 1919. In Italy the wheat crop of 1920 falls far below that of 1919 and in all probability import requirements will be large. For England and Wales the chief features of the agricultural returns are a reduction in the grain acreage and an increase in the area of clover and rotation grasses and green crops, together with large reductions in the number of cattle and sheep, and an increase in the number of pigs."

"In the Southern Hemisphere, in Argentina and Australia, the bulk of the crops are not cut until December and January. In Australia the crop prospects continue to improve. Preliminary estimates for the season of 1920-21 put the yield of wheat in New South Wales at 43,000,000 bushels, as against the very small yield of 4,500,000 the year before. In Argentina beneficial rains have been general and have improved the outlook. This country in the season of 1919-20 produced the largest wheat crop in its history. Recent forecasts of the 1920-21 wheat indicate that the land sown to this crop is greater than ever before and it attended by favorable weather there is every confidence of a record crop being harvested."



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